SUBJECT No. 247.

Age limit of graduates entering Government service.

Messrs. Kodandarama Setty, Anantharajappa, and Anantalakshminaranappa, Tumkur taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The present age limit of graduates to enter Government service may be raised to 30 years.

Reply of Government.—Each case will be considered on its merits. Whenever desirable, exemptions from the age limit are being granted. No general rule is necessary.

SUBJECT No. 248.

Five years approved service to be a sufficient qualification for *Kannada* candidates of the Mysore Local Service Examinations.

Mr. Puttanarasiah, Bangalore taluk.

Note.—Not discussed owing to the absence of the proposer.

SUBJECT No. 249.

Admission of patels and shanbhogs to Local Service Examinations.

Messrs. (*a*) and (*b*) H. Krishnasastry, Krishnarajapete taluk; Venkatasamaiya, Chamrajnagar taluk; Seetharamaiya, Hunsur taluk; and M. D. Narasimhaiengar, Sri Yadugiri Sadananda Vardhini Sabha, Melkote; Ramappa and Bhaskarappa, Srinivaspur taluk; and (*a*) Sitharamaiya, Hiriyur taluk.

Summary of discussion. (*a*) Patels and shanbhogs have to discharge various duties connected with revenue, criminal and other branches. It is therefore necessary for them to acquire knowledge in all these subjects to enable them to satisfactorily discharge their duties. They may be allowed to appear for Local Service Examinations in *Kannada* and the prescribed books caused to be printed in *Kannada* and made available to the public.

(*b*) The Local Service Examinations may be arranged to be held either in the month of November or February every year.

Reply of Government.—(*a*) Is under consideration.

(*b*) Noted.

SUBJECT No. 250.

Publication of books for Accounts examination in *Kannada*.

Messrs. Ramachandrappa, Kumsi Sub-taluk; Sivananja Setti and Narasimhaiya, Chiknayakanhalli taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Candidates are allowed to appear for Accounts examination in *Kannada*, but they cannot do so for want of *Kannada* books on the subject. These books may therefore be translated into *Kannada*.

Reply of Government.—Is being done.

SUBJECT No. 251.

(*a*) Impressment of carts.

(*b*) Increase in the rate of cart-hire.

Messrs. (*a*) V. Rangaswami Aiyangar, Seringapatam taluk, and (*b*) Balesiddalingasetti, Yedatore taluk.

Summary of discussion.—(*a*) People would be put to much hardship, if impressment of carts is not speedily put a stop to. Contractors may be appointed and the supply of carts got from them.

(*b*) The rate of cart-hire impressed for Government work in the several departments varies much. A rate of annas three per mile and annas eight per day of halt may be fixed.

Reply of Government.—(*a*) Is under consideration.

(*b*) The rate of cart-hire has been increased to two annas.

SUBJECT No. 252.

Postal runners and Village Postmen.

Messrs. Kodandarama Setti, Anantarajappa and Anantalakshminaranappa, Tumkur taluk.

Summary of discussion.—(*a*) The postal authorities employ a runner for every eight or ten miles; and village post offices do not receive post every day.

A runner may be employed for every five miles and the villages where there are post offices may be made to receive *tapal* every day.

(*b*) The number of village postmen may also be increased.

Reply of Government.—Is under correspondence with the British Government.

SUBJECT No. 253.

Rewards for the destruction of wild animals.

Mr. Sivappa, Tarikere taluk.

Summary of discussion.—As the present rates of rewards offered for the destruction of wild animals such as tigers, cheetahs, wild dogs and pigs do not offer sufficient inducement to shikaries, the existing rates may be doubled and rewards also offered for pigs which cause great destruction to crops.

Reply of Government.—Will be considered in regard to special localities.

SUBJECT No. 254.

Facilities to pilgrims.

Messrs. M. Venkatakrishnayya, M. C. Rangiengar, A. Anniah Pandit, and Rev. H. Gulliford, Mysore City Municipal Council.

Summary of discussion.—Steps may be taken to enquire into the sanitary and other conditions of centres where pilgrims congregate in large numbers on festive occasions and to adopt the best measures for improving the conditions in respect of:—

(1) Railway timings, service and accommodation;

(2) Accommodation for pilgrims in such centres; and

(3) Effective conservancy and sanitary arrangements during the festival.

The expenses required for (2) and (3) may be met by the municipality, if any, and by the temple concerned in such proportion as may be considered equitable.

The Dewan was pleased to say that it would be advisable to wait for the publication of the report of the Committee now conducting an enquiry in the Madras Presidency.

It was represented that an independent enquiry may be conducted in Mysore which had its own conditions to tackle and that it was not expedient to follow the Madras recommendations.

Reply of Government.—Noted.